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1. A meeting of directors (Werkleiter), BGL chairmen, and BPO secretaries of all East German plants which construct radio and telecommunications installations was held in East Berlin on 15 April 1955. Heinze (fau), in charge of planning in HV RFT of the Ministry of Machine Construction, announced that, according to a decision of the Council of Ministers dated 31 March 1955, the Fernmeldeanlagenbau plants would be subordinated to government bodies other than those under which they are currently functioning.
2. The plant directors were also told that they were not to concern themselves as to what would happen to those scientists and technicians who lost their jobs as a result of the proposed reorganization. It was stated that the Ministry of Machine Construction would shortly be discharging a group of employees for inefficiency. Furthermore, important posts in the Ministry of Machine Construction would become vacant, since the individuals now holding these positions would be transferred to the Defense Ministry (Verteidigung). The employees of the Fernmeldeanlagenbau plants who lost their positions as a result of the reorganization could be utilized in the positions so vacated in the Ministry of Machine Construction.

1. Comment: From the type of personnel discussed here, it is possible that the " Defense Ministry " will be concerned with the construction of materiel whose production was formerly under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Machine Construction.

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